GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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SAFETY OF DAMS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of dams that are more than a century old, State-wise;

(b) whether the National Committee on Dam Safety has submitted any report with regard to the safety of the above dams;

(c) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Committee; and

(d) the action taken by the Government theron?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES & MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) State-wise details of dams that are more than a century old, is given at Annexure.

(b) National Committee on dam Safety (NCDS) oversees dam safety activities in various States/Organisations and suggests improvements to bring these in line with the latest state-of-art consistent with the Indian conditions. It acts as a forum for exchange of views on techniques adopted for remedial measures to relieve distress in existing dams. Generally the issue of distress in any of the dams is brought before the NCDS by the owners of dams who are responsible for their safety. As such NCDS has not prepared any report with regard to the safety of century old dams.

(c) & (d) Do not arise (b) as above.